

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 486

By Yager

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Dr. Burgin H. Wood of
Jacksboro.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of
the passing of Dr. Burgin H. Wood; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Burgin Wood was an exemplary public servant and consummate
professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in
numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, the son of Meather Otto and Ola Bartley Wood, Dr. Wood served in the
United States Navy during World War II; he was a lifelong farmer and enjoyed aviation; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Burgin Wood began practicing medicine in LaFollette on November 11,
1958, and soon thereafter, he and his brother-in-law, James D. Crutchfield, formed the
partnership and general surgery practice of Wood-Crutchfield; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Wood was the founding director of the LaFollette Medical Foundation,
which serves the health and medical needs of the LaFollette community; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Burgin Wood was an active and devout member of Jacksboro United
Methodist Church, which he served faithfully for many years; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Wood was also deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored
to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Burgin Wood enjoyed the loving companionship of Virginia Jo
Crutchfield Wood, his wife and co-pilot of sixty-nine years, and was the proud father of Stacey
Wood-Heatherly, Scott S. Wood, and Stephen E. Wood; he was the devoted grandfather of
Brandon S. Wood, Stefanie Wood Sabia, Sarah B. Massengill, John S. Heatherly, Meagan
Heatherly, and Joshua Heatherly; and the treasured great-grandfather of Taylor Massengill,

Macy Massengill, Mac Henry Massengill, Jonathon Carroll, Kinsley Carroll, Nolen Sabia, Adelyn Sabia, Natalia Wood, and Arabella Heatherly; and

WHEREAS, he is lovingly remembered by his sisters, Jane Bartley Westbrook and Wilma Jonston; his sister-in-law, Jessie Crutchfield; and numerous nieces and nephews; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Burgin Wood leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Dr. Burgin H. Wood, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Dr. Burgin H. Wood.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.